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Public Act No. 12-169

AN ACT CONCERNING REGISTERED INTERIOR DESIGNERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 20-3771 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2012*):

No person shall use the title "registered interior designer" or display or use any words, letters, figures, title, <u>sign</u>, <u>seal</u>, advertisement or other device to indicate that such person is a registered interior designer <u>in this state</u>, unless such person (1) has obtained a certificate of registration as provided in sections 20-377k to 20-377v, inclusive; or (2) is an architect licensed in this state.

- Sec. 2. Section 20-377s of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2012*):
- (a) A registered interior designer shall [exhibit his certificate of registration upon request by any interested party] include his or her certificate of registration number in any advertisement and may include his or her certificate of registration number in any written communication.
- (b) No person shall: (1) Present or attempt to present, as his own, the certificate of another, (2) knowingly give false evidence of a material

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nature to the commissioner for the purpose of procuring a certificate, (3) use or attempt to use a certificate which has expired or which has been suspended or revoked, (4) represent himself falsely as, or impersonate, a registered interior designer, or (5) [include his certificate number as a part of any advertisement or] represent in any manner that his certificate of registration constitutes an endorsement of the quality of his workmanship or of his competency by the commissioner.

- (c) Certificates of registration issued to an interior designer shall not be transferable or assignable.
- (d) All certificates of registration issued under the provisions of sections 20-377k to 20-377v, inclusive, shall expire annually.
- (e) The fee for renewal of a certificate of registration as an interior designer shall be one hundred ninety dollars, provided any architect licensed in this state shall not be required to pay such fee.

Approved June 15, 2012